

Appl. No. 10/734,885
Amdt. Dated 11/29/04
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Remarks/Arguments

Applicant would like to thank the examiner for the thorough review of the present application. Dependent claims 5, 6 and 12 have been amended such that they no longer depend from canceled claims.

The examiner objects to the drawings under 37 CFR 1.83(a) because examiner asserts the drawings do not show every feature of the invention specified in the claims. Applicant maintains the annular guide members (recited in claim 14), which the examiner asserts are absent from the drawings, are shown in FIG. 4, item 81. Therefore, Applicant requests the drawings be accepted without correction.


The examiner has rejected independent claim 14 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 2,470,238 to Correale in view of U.S. Patent No. 2,832,598 to Straub and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 3,811,673 to Baker. Applicant respectfully submits independent claim 14 includes all of the recitations of independent claims 1 and 8, which have been allowed by the examiner. Therefore, Applicant advances independent claim 14 is also in condition for allowance.

In view of these considerations, it is respectfully submitted that the rejection of the amended claims should be considered as no longer tenable with respect to the currently amended dependent claims. All pending dependent claims necessarily include the recitations of their associated independent claims and therefore are also in condition for allowance. Accordingly, applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Should the examiner consider necessary or desirable to make formal changes anywhere in the specification, claims and/or drawings, then it is respectfully asked that such changes be made by examiner's Amendment, if the examiner feels this would facilitate passage of the case to issuance. Alternatively, should the examiner feel that a personal discussion might be helpful in advancing this case to allowance, he is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney.

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